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1. WELCOME

On behalf of the National Government of the Republic of Panama, the Panamanian Sports Institute, and the Panamanian Olympic Committee, we extend a warm welcome to the IV South American Youth Games Panama 2026.

It is an honor for our country to host this sporting event, which celebrates the talent, discipline, and passion of the new generation of athletes in our region. These Games are an opportunity to reaffirm the values that unite us: excellence, friendship, unity, and the Olympic spirit that inspires every participant.

The organizing committee reaffirms its commitment to providing an event that promotes youth sports development, cultural exchange, and integration among the ODESUR member countries. We are working with enthusiasm and dedication to ensure that every detail reflects the pride and hospitality of the Panamanian people.

To all participating delegations, we wish you great success. May this experience in Panama be an opportunity to compete with dedication, learn with humility, and share with joy, in an atmosphere of respect and camaraderie.

Welcome to Panama 2026, where South American youth unite, inspire, and leave their mark in sports history!

Anamae Orillac
General Director
IV South American Youth Games Panama 2026

2. GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT PANAMA

Panama City is the capital of Panama, an amazing country located in Central America, known for its rich cultural diversity, geography, and strategic role in international trade. Panama City is the only capital city in the world that has a protected rainforest within its city limits. It is a city of contrasts, where the modern blends with the traditional, offering a unique experience for visitors and residents alike. It has impressive skyscrapers, reflecting the economic growth and urban development of recent decades

a. Number of inhabitants

Panama City is the largest and most populous city in the country with 1,439,575 inhabitants in 2023, according to the National Institute of Statistics and Census. It is home to a population rich in ethnicities and traditions. It is a place where you can find a large number of immigrants of different nationalities from all over the world.

b. Location

The Republic of Panama is located in the central part of the American continent, bordered by the Caribbean Sea to the north, The Pacific Ocean to the south, Colombia to the east, and Costa Rica to the west.

c. Altitude

The altitude of Panama City rises to an average of 30 meters above sea level, covering an average area of 100 km². Its highest point is Cerro Ancon, where the Panamanian flag flies at the summit, which can be seen from the city

d. Climate

Panama has a tropical climate, characterized by warm and humid temperatures:

No.	CLIMATE	PANAMA RANGE
1	Temperature:	30/25°C
2	Relative Humidity:	82.40%
3	Precipitation:	223 mm
4	Altitude above sea level:	15 m
5	Sunrise:	6:15
6	Sunset:	18:28
7	Solar noon:	11 a.m.

Source: Instituto de Meteorología e Hidrología de Panamá

e. Currency of Panama

The official currency is the Balboa, which has the same value as the US Dollar and, according to Panamanian law, circulates freely and is used without restrictions in commercial and financial transactions.

3. SPORTS ORGANIZATIONS AND LEADERS

a. National Olympic Committees

The fifteen (15) Olympic Committees that are part of ODESUR come from the following countries:

ARGENTINA	ARG		COLOMBIA	COL		PARAGUAY	PAR	
ARUBA	ARU		CURAZAO	CUR		PERU	PER	
BOLIVIA	BOL		ECUADOR	ECU		SURINAM	SUR	
BRASIL	BRA		GUYANA	GUY		URUGUAY	URU	
CHILE	CHI		PANAMA	PAN		VENEZUELA	VEN	

b. Organización Deportiva Suramericana (ODESUR)

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Executive Committee 2022 - 2026

NAME	ROLE	COUNTRY
Camilo Pérez López Moreira	President	Paraguay
Mario Moccia	1st Vice President	Argentina
Paulo Wanderley	2nd Vice president	Brasil
Miguel Angel Mujica	Secretary General	Chile
Marco Arze Mendoza	Treasurer	Bolivia
Damaris Young	Vocal	Panamá
Wanda Broeksema	Vocal	Aruba
Jose Luis Echeverry	Vocal	Colombia
Inés Remersaro	Chair of the Athlete's Commission	Uruguay

Technical Commission

NAME	ROLE	COUNTRY
Mario Moccia	President	Argentina
Jorge Delgado	Member	Ecuador
María Delgado	Member	Venezuela
Juan Carlos Orihuela	Member	Paraguay
Rodrigo Moreno	Member	Chile
Francisco Barreto	Member	Brasil
Victor Grouppierre	ACODESU Member	Argentina
Fabio Ramírez García	Technical and Development Director	Colombia

Medical Commission

NAME	ROLE	COUNTRY
Dr. José Veloso	President	Uruguay
Dr. Hugo Rodríguez Papini	Member	Argentina
Juan Diego Parraga	Member	Colombia
Victor Carpio	Member	Perú
Luciano Rezende	Member	Brasil
Gerardo Acosta	Legal Adviser	Paraguay

Follow-up Committee for the IV South American Youth Games 2026

NAME	ROLE	COUNTRY
Marco Arce Mendoza	President	Bolivia
Wanda Broeksema	Member	Aruba
María Soto	Member	Venezuela
Benjamín Hockin	Member	Paraguay
Mario Cilenti	ODESUR Executive Director	Argentina
Fabio Ramírez	ODESUR Technical and Development Director	Colombia

c. INTERINSTITUTIONAL TECHNICAL COMMITTEE

ENTITY	ROLE	NAME
Director of Pandeportes	President	Mr. Miguel Angel Ordoñez
President of Panamenian Olympic Committee	Executive Secretary	Mrs. Damaris Young
Minister of Presidency	Member	Juan Carlos Orillac
Panama City Municipal Government	Member	Mayer Mizrachi
Minister of Culture	Member	Maruja Herrera
Minister de Economy and Finance	Member	Felipe Chapman
Panama Tourism Authority	Member	Gloria María de León
Promptur	Member	Salomón Shamah
Athlete's Representative	Member	Mrs. Daniela Rodríguez

Organizing Committee of the IV South American Youth Games Panamá 2026

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e. Asociacion Panameña de Golf

President: Miguel Francisco Duran de la Guardia
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f. International Technical Officials

The Confederación Sudamericana de Golf will appoint the international technical officials.

International Technical Delegate (ITD): Martin Alarco

E-mail: secretario.fsg@fesgolf.org

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4. IV SOUTH AMERICAN YOUTH GAMES PANAMÁ 2026, IN NUMBERS

- 15 countries
- 22 sports – one guest sport (Chess)
- + 1.500 participating athletes
- 13 days of competition
- 20 sporting venues

5. INFORMATION ABOUT COMPETITION

The golf competition for the IV South American Youth Games Panama 2026 will be held from **April 21st to the 24th 2026** in the venue Club de Golf de Panamá.

a. Competition format

Athletes will compete in groups of three, in eleven-minute intervals, and each group will include players from different NOCs during the initial competition rounds. They will later be regrouped according to their ranking in the respective individual competition.

The technical delegate and the chief referee will establish the dress code for men and women, in accordance with the current IGF uniform policy.

Each NOC will be allocated two (2) male and two (2) female athlete slots, and each athlete must have a recognized handicap index not higher than 4.0.*

6. COMPETITION PROGRAM AND MEDALS

Date	Sesión	Time	Event	Gender	Stage	Starting Hole
21-april	S1	8:30	Individual	Male	Competition	1
		8:41	Individual	Male	Competition	1
		8:52	Individual	Male	Competition	1
		9:03	Individual	Male	Competition	1
		9:14	Individual	Male	Competition	1
		9:25	Individual	Male	Competition	1
		9:36	Individual	Male	Competition	1
		9:47	Individual	Female	Competition	1
		9:58	Individual	Female	Competition	1
		10:09	Individual	Female	Competition	1
22-april	S1	10:20	Individual	Female	Competition	1
		10:31	Individual	Female	Competition	1
		10:42	Individual	Female	Competition	1
		8:30	Individual	Male	Competition	1
		8:41	Individual	Male	Competition	1
		8:52	Individual	Male	Competition	1
		9:03	Individual	Male	Competition	1
		9:14	Individual	Male	Competition	1
		9:25	Individual	Male	Competition	1
		9:36	Individual	Male	Competition	1
23-april	S1	9:47	Individual	Female	Competition	1
		9:58	Individual	Female	Competition	1
		10:09	Individual	Female	Competition	1
		10:20	Individual	Female	Competition	1
		10:31	Individual	Female	Competition	1
		10:42	Individual	Female	Competition	1
		8:30	Individual	Male	Competition	1
		8:41	Individual	Male	Competition	1
		8:52	Individual	Male	Competition	1
		9:03	Individual	Male	Competition	1
24-april	S1	9:14	Individual	Male	Competition	1
		9:25	Individual	Male	Competition	1
		9:36	Individual	Male	Competition	1
		9:47	Individual	Female	Competition	1
		9:58	Individual	Female	Competition	1
		10:09	Individual	Female	Competition	1
		10:20	Individual	Female	Competition	1
		10:31	Individual	Female	Competition	1
		10:42	Individual	Female	Competition	1
		Ceremonia de Premiación				

CATEGORIES SUMMONED				MEDALS TO BE AWARDED								
EVENTS	MALE	FEMALE	MIXED	MALE			FEMALE			MIXED		
				GOLD	SILVER	BRONZE	GOLD	SILVER	BRONZE	GOLD	SILVER	BRONZE
INDIVIDUAL	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
TEAMS			1							1	1	1
TOTAL				1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1

The training schedule will be established by the Organizing Committee after receiving all numerical registrations and will be confirmed upon the arrival of the delegations.

For a category to be held, a minimum of four (4) athletes from four (4) different NOCs must participate.

In accordance with ODESUR regulations, the prizes will be awarded as follows:

- First place: gold medal.
- Second place: silver medal.
- Third place: bronze medal

All competitors will receive a certificate of participation.

The prizes will be awarded once the competition is over, following the protocol rules of ODESUR, and the official uniform representing their country must be worn.

7. PARTICIPANTS

All athletes from countries whose Olympic Committees are affiliated with ODESUR and whose National Federations are affiliated with the International Golf Federation (IFG) as of the date of the competition are eligible to participate.

Each NOC may compete with two (2) male athletes and two (2) female athletes. Each athlete must have a handicap index not higher than 4,0.

The number of team officials in a delegation may not exceed 40% of the total number of athletes.

8. ELEGIBILITY

To be eligible and participate in the IV South American Youth Games Panama 2026, the athlete must comply with the ODESUR statutes and the rules of Federación Suramericana de Golf

a. Competitors' Nationality

Any competitor participating in the IV South American Youth Games Panama 2026 must have the nationality of the country of the NOC that registered them, which will be responsible for that registration. The nationality and eligibility of the competitor is determined in accordance with ODESUR regulations.

b. Age of Competitors

All athletes born between **January 1st 2009 and December 31st 2011** (15 – 17 y/o) will be allowed to participate in.

9. REGISTRATION

a. Intention to Participate

All National Olympic Committees' must submit their intention to participate by **October 1st 2025**, at 11:59:59 p.m. (Panama Time), using the official forms that the Organizing Committee will send out in due course. They must indicate the sports in which they will participate for the IV South American Youth Games Panama 2026. Forms will be published on the official website.

b. Numerical Registration

Numerical Registration Forms (individual and team) will indicate, without specifying names, the number of officials, technical staff, competitors, and support personnel that will make up the delegation. These forms must be submitted through the respective National Olympic Committee (NOC) and received by the Organizing Committee of the IV South American Youth Games Panama 2026 no later than **November 30th 2025**, at 11:59:59 PM (Panama time).

c. Long List Registration

the long list of athletes, team officials, technical staff, administrative, and auxiliary personnel must be sent to the Organizing Committee of the IV South American Youth Games Panama 2026 no later than **January 20th 2026**, at 23:59:59 (Panama Time). The long list may be submitted by email in order to meet the deadline.

d. Final Nominal Registration

The nominal list for golf must be submitted no later than **March 12th 2026**, at 23:59:59 (Panama time).

The final list of athletes, team officials, technical staff , administrative and support personnel will be reviewed by the Head of Mission or a representative authorized by the NOC and representative of the Organizing Committee (Registrations – Accreditations - Technical, etc.) during the “Delegation Registration (PRE DRM DRM) ” meetings, which will be held virtually on the following dates: February 20th, 2026, and March 20th, 2026, and an in-person DRM starting on April 6th, 2026 which will take place at the organizing Committee’s office.

At the time of Final Registration, no new registrations may be included; registration will be limited to the names listed in the Nominal List – Long List and may not exceed the number of athletes indicated in the Technical Instructions (Technical Manual) for each sport.

The number of team officials in delegations may not exceed 40% of the total number of athletes confirmed in the DRM. Once the DRM is complete, the registration and accreditation process for the delegation will be finished, and it will not be possible to accredit any other participants, except in exceptional circumstances duly authorized by ODESUR.

e. Sending Information

Any information regarding registrations or other matters may be sent to:
Email: direcciontecnicapanama2026@jsjpanama2026.com

10. GOLF RULES

a. General Rules

The game will be governed by the Rules of Golf, including the specifications for clubs and balls approved by The R&A in its current edition, the Championship’s Conditions of Competition, and the Local Rules approved by the Competition Committee (hereinafter referred to as the Committee). Officiating will be carried out by designated Rules Officials.

The men's, women's, and team events will each be conducted in an Individual Stroke Play format over 72 holes, with the lowest total score determining the individual winner. Athletes will play in groups of three, at eleven-minute intervals, and each group will include players from different NOCs.

Mixed Team Event

NOCs with athletes in both the men's and women's individual events will earn a place in the mixed team event. For the team competition, the **lowest score from each gender per round** will be counted, and the **sum of those two scores** will represent the team's total.

Unforeseen Cases

- **General matters:** will be resolved by the Organizing Committee of the VI South American Youth Games Panama 2026, in accordance with ODESUR regulations.
- **Technical matters:** will be resolved according to the Rules of Golf and the provisions of the South American Golf Federation.

Tiebreaks

In the event of a tie for medal positions in the individual competition, either of the two divisions shall be decided under a sudden death system. A course determined by the Competition Committee will be played until the medal winners are decided.

In the event of a tie for medal positions mixed competition, the winner will be determined automatically based on the team's **best aggregate score in the last round played**, then the **penultimate round**, and so on until the first round. If still tied, the following criteria will apply, always referring to the last round played:

- Best score over the last 9 holes,
- If still tied, over the last 6 holes,
- Then the last 3 holes.

For this purpose, the "last 9, 6, or 3 holes" will be considered as holes 10 to 18, or 1 to 9 if applicable.

- b. COMPETITION STAFF: (JUDGES, JURORS AND TECHNICAL OFFICIALS)

The Federación Suramericana de Golf will appoint the officials and referees required for the execution of the competition program.

To ensure the proper implementation of the competition schedule, the Organizing Committee, in coordination with the South American Federation, will appoint the necessary personnel.

No referee, judge, and/or commissaire may serve as a delegate for their team or stay with their delegation.

c. PROTESTS AND APPEALS

The Technical Committee will be composed of the President of the South American Federation or their representative, and one member appointed by the delegates of the countries participating in the event. Three (3) alternate members will also be appointed.

The referee and rules officials will administer the local rules. They will also handle disputes and make decisions in accordance with the Rules of Golf. Any other protest or appeal must be submitted in writing to the IGF Technical Delegate within fifteen (15) minutes after returning the final scorecard for the competition round in which the incident occurred. Each protest must be accompanied by a deposit of one hundred U.S. dollars (USD 100). The decisions of the Appeals Jury are final.

The competition will be considered closed once the medals have been awarded to the winning players during the medal ceremony.

Members of the Appeals Jury whose teams are involved in a protest may not participate in the deliberation and must be replaced by the alternate members. The Jury's decisions shall be final and unappealable.

11. EQUIPMENT - UNIFORMS - FACILITIES

The uniforms and sports equipment used by athletes and other participants in the competitions of the IV South American Youth Games Panama 2026 must comply with the regulations of the International Golf Federation (IGF) and those of ODESUR.

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12. TECHNICAL MEETING

The Delegates' Technical Meeting will be held on a date to be confirmed at the Games Organizing Committee headquarters.

Up to two (2) representatives from each NOC may attend the Final Registration Verification, one with voting rights, along with an interpreter or assistant, if necessary.

The Final Registration Verification will include confirmation of the final participant registrations by category, confirmation of totals as well as the verification of passports and competition uniforms in accordance with ODESUR regulations.

13. MEDICAL INFORMATION

a. Doping Control

Doping control tests Will be carried out by the Medical Commission of the Organizing Committee of the IV South American Youth Games Panama 2026 under the regulations of the ODESUR Medical Commission and in accordance with its Anti-Doping Rules approved by World Anti-doping Agency (WADA).

ODESUR reaffirms its policy of rejecting, sanctioning, and discouraging the use of doping substances and prohibited methods to ensure the healthiest, safest, fairest, and most ethical environment in sports competitions during the IV South American Youth Games Panama 2026.

The selection of athletes for sample collection in accordance with the ODESUR Anti-Doping Rule Violation and may be immediately removed from the IV South American Youth Games Panama 2026 and have their credential withdrawn.

b. Medical services at competition and training sites

A medical station will be available to provide first aid to athletes and officials at each competition and training site, equipped with all necessary safety equipment for Sporting activities. Ambulances will always be available in cases where a member of the IV South American Youth Games Panama 2026 needs to be transferred to a hospital.

14. POST- COMPETITION PROCEDURES

a. Mixed Zone

At the end of each event, athletes will be instructed to leave the Competition Area by passing through the Mixed Zone, which is an area where accredited media may conduct brief interviews after the competition.

Athletes must pass through the Mixed Zone where they will be asked to cooperate and talk with media representatives.

15. SPORTS SCHEDULE APPENDIX

Schedule

EVENT	APRIL															
	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
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ARGENTINA

ARUBA

BOLIVIA

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CHILE

COLOMBIA

CURAZAO

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